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EF 14 – Recovery

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Tasked Agencies	
Primary Agencies	Shasta County Office of Emergency Services
Supporting Agencies	Shasta County Fire Department Shasta County Public Works Department Shasta County Resource Management – Building Department
Primary State Agency	State and Consumer Services Agency Business Transportation Housing Agency

1 Purpose and Scope

This Emergency Function (EF) Annex provides information regarding the coordination of long-term community recovery and mitigation efforts to return Shasta County (County) to its normal, pre-emergency state. For the purposes of this EF, long-term recovery will consist primarily of some combination of damage assessment, identification of sources of recovery funding, performance of long-term recovery, and identification of opportunities for future risk reduction (mitigation).

County government is primarily responsible for providing assistance for recovery for public property in unincorporated areas of the County. County government also supports local governments and special purpose districts on a regional basis by coordinating recovery resources. Recovery for private property is not explicitly addressed by this EF; however, estimates of damage to private property are used in the disaster declaration process, and assistance to private property owners is included in certain State of California (State) and federal disaster assistance programs.

This EF Annex is not intended to address short-term recovery, which is the return of vital life-support systems to minimum operating standards. For the most part, short-term recovery is accomplished under the other emergency functions and the immediate emergency response, e.g., the provision of emergency medical care (EF 8); restoring interrupted utility and other essential services (EFs 3 and 12); reestablishing transportation routes (EF 1); and providing food and shelter for those displaced (EF 6).

This EF works together with certain aspects of EF 1 – Transportation, EF 3 – Construction and Engineering, and EF 12 – Utilities, which partially address damage assessments and restoration for those sectors.

2 Policies and Agreements

2.1 Policies

The following policies are currently in place:

- None at this time.

2.2 Agreements

The following agreements are currently in place:

- None at this time.

3 Situation and Assumptions

3.1 Situation

The County is vulnerable to a host of disasters that could cause public and private property loss and damage, death and injury, damage to the environment, and prolonged disruption of commercial activity. In the event that such damage occurs, planned damage assessment and recovery procedures are essential for returning the community to normal after a major emergency or disaster. Disaster recovery typically lasts much longer and costs significantly more than preparedness and response activities.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act authorizes federal disaster assistance to individuals and to governmental entities in the aftermath of a major emergency or disaster and outlines the types of assistance that may be made available. The majority of federal disaster assistance programs are administered by State agencies.

3.2 Assumptions

- All appropriate disaster declarations will be made in a timely manner.
- Given the County's limited resources for recovery operations, State and federal governments will play a major role in assisting with such operations, substantially supplementing the County's efforts.
- Depending on the type and scope of the incident, federal resources and/or funds may be available for public and/or private (individual and businesses) assistance.
- Long-term shelters may be needed to house County citizens and other populations following a disaster.
- A long-term recovery plan will be developed based on the impacts of the specific disaster or emergency, the duties and responsibilities outlined in the other functional and hazard-specific annexes and appendices to this plan, and the planning considerations addressed in this annex.
- Long-term recovery planning and activities could include mitigation efforts to reduce the potential hazard of similar disasters in the future.

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- Many types of public, private, and volunteer assistance will be offered following an extreme emergency that will involve unique management challenges and test the County's sheltering and feeding capacities.
- Depending on the incident, it may be more appropriate for some recovery functions to be tasked to a specific County department rather than an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) section. Specially qualified persons/agencies from the public and private sectors may be appointed to perform functions unique to large-scale recovery operations.
- Under certain conditions, such as a lengthy recovery from a flood or earthquake, the County will seek inclusion in a Presidential Declaration so as to qualify for assistance in the form of federal emergency funds and equipment.

4 Roles and Responsibilities

During emergencies, recovery activities will be managed by the Shasta County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Services.

4.1 Emergency Function 14 Actions by Phase of Emergency Management

4.1.1 Preparedness

- Develop and maintain a liaison with County, city, State, and federal agencies and organizations that can provide assistance in recovery and restoration activities.
- Develop and maintain procedures for recovering from emergencies and disasters, including documentation of disaster-related costs.
- Assess disaster risk to government facilities from likely hazards and take measures to reduce the vulnerability of facilities.
- Identify damage assessment team members. Ensure that all personnel are aware of their emergency responsibilities.
- Develop and maintain plans, procedures, and checklists to support recovery activities.
- Ensure that personnel notification and call-up lists are current.
- Include disaster recovery activity in exercises and training.

4.1.2 Response

- Identify all damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.

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- Activate the County EOC or other facility to coordinate recovery activities.
- Assemble and forward all necessary reports and requests for assistance to appropriate federal and State agencies.
- Coordinate recovery and restoration activities among tribal, County, city, State, and federal program representatives.
- Prepare relevant recovery and restoration instructions and information for public information distribution.
- Work with the private sector to ensure that the disaster-related needs of the business community are met.
- Conduct other specific response actions as dictated by the situation.

4.1.3 Recovery

- Continue to work with all individuals and organizations affected by the event.
- Support community recovery activities.
- Work with the State and federal government to administer disaster recovery programs.
- Schedule after-action briefings and develop after-action reports.
- Develop and implement mitigation strategies.
- Make necessary changes in this EF Annex and supporting plans and procedures.

4.1.4 Mitigation

- When repairing and restoring services and facilities, investigate alternative plans and activities to potentially reduce future damages and impacts.
- Investigate possible mitigation grant projects for reducing future disaster damage and losses.
- Develop and enforce adequate building codes.
- Develop and enforce adequate land use regulations.
- Develop hazard analysis.
- Develop potential mitigation measures to address the hazards identified in the analysis

5 Concept of Operations

5.1 General

- In accordance with the Basic Plan and this EF Annex, the County Office of Emergency Services is the primary agency responsible for coordinating recovery activities. Plans and procedures developed by the primary and supporting agencies provide the framework for carrying out those activities.
- Requests for assistance with recovery resources will be generated one of two ways: they will be forwarded to the County EOC, or they will be issued in accordance with established mutual aid agreements.
- The County EOC will provide guidance for the coordination of recovery resources.
- Recovery support requirements that cannot be met at the local level should be forwarded to the State for assistance. If needed, federal assistance may be requested by the Governor.

5.2 Notifications

- The Director of Emergency Services will notify the primary and supporting agencies of EOC activations and request that their representatives report to the EOC to coordinate recovery activities.
- As additional EOC staffing needs become apparent, other support and partnering agency personnel may be asked to report to the EOC to assist with recovery activities.

5.3 Access and Functional Needs Populations

Provision of recovery services in the County will take into account populations with access and functional needs.

6 Annex Development and Maintenance

The Director of Emergency Services will be responsible for coordinating regular review and maintenance of this EF Annex. Each primary and supporting agency will be responsible for developing plans and procedures that address assigned tasks.

7 Supporting Documents

The following documents are currently in place:

Shasta County

- None at this time.

State of California

- California Emergency Plan: EF 14 – Recovery

Federal

- National Disaster Recovery Framework

8 Appendices

None at this time.